

The minutes of the Regular Public Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook held on September 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Senior Center, 8 Caldwell Avenue, Saddle Brook, NJ.

Council President Cimiluca called the meeting to order.

The Township Clerk called the roll:

Councilwoman D'Arminio – present
Councilman Gierrek – present
Councilman Accomando – present
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – present

Mayor White – present
Mr. Suarez, Twp. Attorney – present
Mr. Klein, Twp. Engineer – present

Council President Cimiluca asked everyone to please rise for the salute to the flag and remain standing for a moment of silence to remember the lives lost on September 11, 2001 and also in memory of United States Army Staff Sergeant Vincent Marketta, a New Jersey resident.

Council President Cimiluca announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been sent to all Council members by police messenger and to all legal newspapers in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 and in consideration of Executive Order No. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey.

The Township Clerk announced that the public is hereby advised that any statements made during the meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook may not be privileged or protected and that persons or entities who take issue with such comments or are offended by same, may, and have in the past, sought legal redress through the courts.

Any member of the public who addresses the Council speaks for themselves and not for the Council.

Mayor White read a proclamation congratulating the Saddle Brook Flacons Little League team for their undefeated season and for winning their championship. He said they represented the town amazingly well.

Council President Cimiluca extended his congratulations to the team members, parents and coaches for a job well done.

Council President Cimiluca asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

Mr. Alex Luy of 624 Fairlawn Parkway said he was coming to the Council to plead with them to put some type of speed deterrent on his street. He said since I have moved here there has been about six accidents, and I've only been here a few years. I was wondering what type of deterrents you can suggest. I've heard a lot of things thrown around in terms of speed bumps and putting speed dummies on there, but I understand that if you do put an officer there, it's not going to solve the problem because he can't be there 24 hours a day, obviously. I just want to come to you and plead with you what type of solutions you can offer for that street.

Council President Cimiluca said you have been there three years and you know of six accidents?

Mr. Luy said I've seen them. And one kid actually got hit. It wasn't even car to car – somebody hit my neighbor across the street.

Council President Cimiluca said pedestrian or bicycle?

Mr. Luy said pedestrian. It was a child.

Council President Cimiluca asked Mr. Luy if he recalled what the accidents involved and if they were speed related.

Mr. Luy said just this past Friday there was an accident there. Somebody ran the stop sign. I live on the corner, which is on Wilson. Someone ran the stop sign and the car that got t-boned – I think it was speeding.

Council President Cimiluca said but somebody blew the stop sign on Wilson?

Mr. Luy said somebody blew the stop sign

Council President Cimiluca said so the Wilson driver is the bad guy.

Mr. Luy said that's what I'm guessing, but again, I didn't see it.

Council President Cimiluca said you live at the corner that unfortunately has that water accumulation? Is that your corner?

Mr. Luy said I see water, but it doesn't come to my... that's another issue.

Council President Cimiluca asked Mr. Luy to clarify which side of Fairlawn Parkway he lived on.

Mr. Luy said closer to Saddle River Road, and the pedestrian that got hit, it was probably two or three years ago, that person was speeding, definitely.

Council President Cimiluca said he would certainly will address Fairlawn Parkway and thanked Mr. Luy for his comments.

Mayor White asked Mr. Luy if he noticed any difference since Fairlawn Parkway was paved and that striping was put on the road.

Mr. Luy said, Mr. Mayor, absolutely not. There has been no difference at all. There has actually been a lot more speeding I think because I hear it at night, and even during the day they just go through, especially motorcycles. I hear a lot of motorcycles.

Mr. Damon Tulloch of 550 Fairlawn Parkway said the lines haven't done much. I don't see anyone passing anyone anymore, but the speeding has picked up from what I can tell. I shared the videos of the drag racing going on Friday night, motorcycle next to a car. There were two pickup trucks and then a Ferrari that was just doing 80 miles an hour. That's another story. Since it's been paved and everything that's happened, it's really just gotten worse over there. You guys are doing everything you could, and I appreciate that, and like I said the first time I was here two years ago, we can try and help, it's no one's fault but the drivers, right? They're the ones that got to slow down, and it's everyone from town. So, here's another issue. You're pulling them over; they live in town, and that's a whole other can of worms that gets opened up. Thank you for what you have done to date, but to Alex's point, we have to try and do something a little more before something really bad happens. I still have the video of the guy that flew up my front lawn that one night as well. I don't know whatever happened with that, but he was just driving out of control, too. So when it starts moving into the property now, that's when I start getting worried. It's more of a quality of life thing, and that's what it is. Thank you.

Hearing no one else, Council President Cimiluca asked for a motion to close the meeting to the public for public.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Gierek

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierek – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – yes

Council President Cimiluca – yes

COMMENTS

Councilman Gierek said on August 12th he attended a County Flood meeting along with the Mayor, Mr. Lo Dico and the town flood plain manager Monica Mianeki. The County Executive Jim Tedesco addressed concerns regarding the Saddle River with the towns of Lodi, Maywood, and Rochelle Park also in attendance. The County Executive decided to appoint an individual who will meet with each municipality along the river and identify areas of concern. A plan will be formulated to address these flood concerns. The objective is to work together to mitigate and alleviate flooding along the river.

Councilman Gierek then thanked all of the first responders, the police department, fire department, ambulance corps and the DPW for their commitment and dedication to our township and said he truly appreciates their service to the residents. In conclusion he wished the students, teachers, and parents a safe, healthy, and successful school year and wished all the residents a safe and happy Labor Day weekend.

Councilman Accomando said in light of what's going on with September 11th I just want everyone to not forget what happened that day and for to each of our kids, some weren't born yet, some were born that year, to keep it in their in memory because we lost a lot of decent people that day and a lot of people from that day forward in war that didn't want to be there. We shouldn't have been there, but we had to defend our honor as Americans. So I just wanted to let people know, don't let that date be forgotten, ever. It's too important. He concluded by wishing everyone a Happy Labor Day and a safe, healthy school year.

Councilwoman D'Arminio said last month we talked about getting the bus for the seniors to go to the doctors. I'm happy to note the bus is on the road. The seniors have it available to them from Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM for pickup. So I just want to make sure they know to call the Senior Center with their appointments. We are allowed to open up the Senior Center at 25% capacity, so we're looking at around September 23rd. We're going to bring back the exercise class, and we're looking to do bingo Wednesdays and Fridays. There will be no refreshments, no coffee, no food, no bus. They will have to get there on their own, but we can do 25 comfortably. The seniors will have to call Joe at the Center and reserve their seat. We also are talking about celebrating in October our seniors who are turning 90. We have 23 seniors that are turning 90 to 100 years old in 2020, so we are doing a special event for them door-to-door. So next month you will be able to probably see it on television.

Councilwoman D'Arminio said we want to bring back the Halloween Trunk or Treat for the kids. We're going to do it at 55 Mayhill outside. We think we can do it with the boundaries that we have to, and that would be on Halloween, October 31st from 12 Noon to 2:00 PM. Again, no refreshments, no cookies or any of that. Masks will be required for everybody, and the rain date will be November 1st.

She then thanked Council President Cimiluca and Councilman Accomando for all they you have done on the roadway committee. She said I know we're ending with Hillside, I believe when the streets are paved and Hillside will get their speed bumps. Sorry to hear about Fairlawn Parkway, but I'm going to not comment, leaving that to you because that's what you have been working on. But I want to say thank you for that, and lastly, Mayor, I want to thank you for all the updates that you do on COVID. I think it's really helpful, and I think the residents really appreciate it.

Regarding 9/11, Council President Cimiluca said when I heard that the idiots in New York were not going to have the light tribute for fear of COVID, I got sick to my stomach.

I couldn't believe that people were just so blinded by political hatred I think. I just couldn't believe that was happening, so I called Todd and I said maybe we can do something in Saddle Brook. I've got to tell you, Councilman Accomando, within two days had prices and places to possibly do the dual blue lights going up. But no sooner had he started to do that, before he could bring it to the Mayor and Council, smarter heads prevailed at the Tunnel to Tower Group, and New York City is going to put on that tribute and fund it, so God bless them for making the right decision.

Council President Cimiluca said we had a moment of silence for 9/11, but we also had it for Staff Sergeant Vincent Marketta. He's from Brick, and under an executive order, the Governor has mandated that the United States and New Jersey flags be at half-mast for Staff Sergeant Marketta. He died on August 27th in a training exercise in California while in a helicopter during army training exercises. Condolences to his family and his extended armed forces family.

He then asked Mr. Klein if we have a change order for Hillside as of this time because I see we have our friends from Hillside who have been coming to meetings and have been very active, and so we'd like to get some information to them if we have it.

Mr. Klein said we do not have it at this point. I'm going to contact the contractor.

Council President Cimiluca asked Mr. Klein if this was 4 Clean-Up and if they were doing all of the roadwork for 2020. Mr. Klein said yes.

Council President Cimiluca asked Mr. Klein if he could try and expedite the change order so we can get involved and get it done. We've already agreed to do that. He then said Pete, the Mayor and I met with our architect from RSC yesterday at Town Hall. He noted RSC was chosen out of a number of very, very qualified applicants that submitted RFQs. They were all amazingly qualified and experienced. RSC was chosen, and we think we made the right decision. He explained their role in the plans for the new municipal building in conjunction with Visions and said representatives from all our departments would be meeting on the plans. He said this is a Civic Center. It's not simply for recreation. This is going to be open to people of all ages. There will be an exercise room, meeting rooms. This is going to be a good place. This process is just beginning. Wednesday was the first part of the process, and next week I think we're going to have our second meeting. I noticed that the first time the Mayor ever mentioned that we were interested in purchasing that building and utilizing for a municipal complex was September 8th of 2018. So, this is an ongoing process for two full years. Sometimes people say we work too slow; sometimes people say we work too fast. If anyone has had an issue with this, they've had two years to come to our council meeting and say that they have an issue with this. He said our town deserves to have a quality municipal complex, and one of the main things is our children and our residents deserve a civic center. I think that everyone is going to be very proud of the building and proud of Saddle Brook after it is constructed.

Council President Cimiluca said he also met with Mr. Lo Dico, the engineer from the county, and another long-time resident in regard to the lake and potential flooding. He explained the lake was basically the retention basin for flooding. It is up now, so it looks like a recreational lake, and it serves that purpose, but at the same time its initial intent or purpose was for storm overflows, so we gave a lot of information to the engineer, and he's going back. We've got things that I wasn't aware of, sluice gates and culverts and all kinds of things going in and out of that lake that I was not aware of until a few months ago when it was brought to my attention by another resident. I walked the whole thing with him, and he brought that to my attention, and I immediately contacted the people from the county, and they are going. I'm a little disappointed with them, and I will be making a phone call because what they said they were going to do hasn't been done yet, and I've got to hold their feet to the fire. I'm one of your elected officials, and they told me they were going to get it done, and they didn't get it done. In their defense, we had tropical storm Isaias that came through, and unfortunately the county is pretty gutted when it comes to their park employees, so they have ten or twenty guys to do ten county parks. Their first order of business was to remove trees that had fallen on the pathways so people could walk. I will be calling again tomorrow.

Council President Cimiluca said they did tell me they were cutting back the bushes, they were going to trim back the trees, they were going to pull the dead trees that are just sitting in water just being a mosquito haven. So I will be making that call for you.

In regard to Fair Lawn Parkway, he said it's known that this is a problem. I live two blocks away, so I'm well aware. I'm on Fairlawn Parkway every day. One of the main things was that you didn't know how many lanes it was. If you weren't from there, you didn't know how many lanes there were. It was just an extremely wide road. From Broadway all the way to Evans, it's extremely wide. So what we felt the first thing to do was the striping. Let's try and get the lines on the side, and actually I do see more people parking inside those lines than I ever did before. I think people were under the impression that you couldn't park on Fairlawn Parkway. But they're utilizing it, and that's what it's there for. Unfortunately, like every other newly paved road, I think that people get their inner Speed Racer revved up, and they just hit the gas because it's a beautiful, new, non-rutted road. Try and do that down Danna Way at this point and you'll leave with no kidneys. Danna Way is going to get paved, and hopefully they're not going to have that same issue. But we have the speed sign, and we have increased enforcement, and the police have issued over a dozen speeding summonses since July 1st. And for our friends on Floral Lane who, even though we did put a speed bump on, still complained about the speeding on Floral Lane in the area between the stop sign and a speed hump. They issued well over a dozen summonses from July 1st, so there is increased enforcement.

Council President Cimiluca explained that with the help of our engineer we had determined and agreed that this was the best way to go, and let's see how it works. So it's only been paved for two months, but what I'm going to do on behalf of the Council is direct our Clerk to contact the chief of police and advise the chief of police that there is an apparent issue with speeding on Fairlawn Parkway and to number one: increase enforcement at the location, number two: implement a zero-tolerance policy. So for the people out there what that means is that if you are given a ticket for speeding or your kid or your grandkid or your grandmother, don't be calling the Mayor, don't be calling me, don't be calling the chief, don't be calling any of the police officer buddies that you have because it's not going to work. You're on notice. Do not speed on Fairlawn Parkway. People are getting hit. There're accidents. There are kids who live in that neighborhood. It is a neighborhood. It's a little different than Midland which is mostly industrial. Fairlawn Parkway, until you get the center, is all residential. And you're going to hurt yourself, and you're going to hurt somebody else if you continue to do that. The third thing that we have asked the Clerk to get to the chief is to request from the county their speed tabulation machine. It's something that would give us an idea of how many people go through Fairlawn Parkway each day and what the average speed is over there. I know that's one of the things that the engineers use. My understanding is the county has that item already, so that's the third directive that we'd like the chief to implement. So we're doing everything that we can. We understand. We feel your pain, and we're going to go an extra step. But like I said, everyone is on notice.

Mayor White thanked Council President Cimiluca for his update on the civic center and said we do feel it's an excellent project for the town, and we believe that the majority of the public does feel that it's going to benefit the town and make the town better. Also, regarding speeding on Fairlawn Parkway, I think the zero tolerance policy – nothing deters people from speeding more than getting a summons. If we're strict with the enforcement and just day by day get out there, the word will get out to the residents. A lot of the residents are speeding, and if that's what it takes, I think the message will be out there, and it should slow the people down. If that still doesn't work maybe we'll have to reconsider putting a speed bump there. I think if we did do a speed bump, it would probably be best by Damon's house there rather than in the section by Alex's house. I don't know. It's so wide there it would be difficult to put a speed bump there, but maybe move the speed sign closer there. Let's try strict enforcement first.

Regarding COVID-19, Mayor White said the number of presumptive positive cases in town has been fluctuating between 316 and 322. I know that drives everybody crazy, it does me as well. The answers that I've been getting as far as the fluctuation, the disparity is sometimes the difference in numbers between the state and the county, but this week we had a meeting with the Governor's office. We have bi-weekly meetings, and the County Executive discussed that problem. Believe it or not, some of it has to do with some people get tested, and then they don't believe it – the minute they come back

positive and they're asymptomatic, they don't believe it, they get tested again and again. So sometimes they are getting the same person two or three or even four times. Sometimes the addresses are wrong. Somebody may be at Kessler institute, and they are a resident, but they're rehabbing there, and they're really a resident of Elmwood Park, but it comes back as a Saddle Brook address because they're at Kessler. That's what I've been getting. The numbers in town have been rising minimally. Really, it's been steady, which is a good thing. The number of deaths that we have had has stayed the same for probably about three months now. It's 19, and unfortunately one death is too much, and we all mourn the losses of those individuals, and we want to express our sympathies again to their families and friends.

Mayor White spoke briefly about Korean War Veteran George Job and his wife Catherine, a married couple from Saddle Brook who passed away. He said Governor Murphy, during his daily COVID briefing, was going to pay tribute to the couple tomorrow at one o'clock on News 12.

He went on to say the 316 to 322 cases is cumulative, so 19 deaths, as far as we know, all the rest of those people have recovered. Whether they fully recovered, I don't know. The Governor has re-opened gyms, indoor dining, and movie theaters, starting tomorrow, September 4th. The Saddle Brook schools have decided to do a hybrid program, blending in person instruction with remote learning. He commended school superintendent Danielle Shanley and her Board of Education Trustees for their re-opening committee. They did a tremendous job developing what I think is an outstanding reopening plan that allows for the safe and sufficient opening of our schools in the coming weeks. He said he met with the crossing guards this week along with the police department and the head school Marshall Diane Cerone to explain safety protocols related to COVID. He commended Ms. Cerone on the outstanding job she does supervising the crossing guards.

In addition, Mayor White explained the limit for indoor gatherings is 25% of capacity with a maximum of 100 people. That's been the same for a while. But now the Governor changed the maximum to 150 for weddings, funerals, religious ceremonies, and political events. So, it's 150 max for those. Everyone at indoor events must wear face coverings. The limit for outdoor gatherings is 500, and masks must be worn if social distancing is impractical. All of our Saddle Brook parks, playgrounds and fields are now open, and I'm glad to say this week the county park opened their playground which is nice, in the Saddle River County Park. Our youth will participate in all outdoor recreation sports this fall. All programs must abide by health and safety protocols. The senior bus is available for doctor appointments only. We surveyed the seniors, and a lot of them say they feel safe to come back and participate in events at the center. We're going to open the center with a 25-person limit.

The Mayor said our 2020 Road program is starting now, doing the concrete work on five streets, Jamros Terrace, Colonial Avenue, Woodcrest Place, Danna Way and Taggart Way. Also, Public Service has been paving roads that they did the gas mains on, and they're going to be doing Oxford probably as we speak, very shortly. What they're going to do there is on the top part from Saddle River Road to Fairlawn Parkway they are going to pipe the sump pumps into the catch basins because we see a lot of them, and they are grandfathered in. They go out into the street, and it forms an icy condition in the winter, so that will alleviate that problem.

Mayor White asked Mr. Suarez to go over the affordable housing ordinances on the agenda this evening.

Mr. Suarez explained that the ordinances are in accordance with the settlement agreement that we arrived at with the Fair Share Housing Association, and it was assisted by the judge, Judge Padovano who oversaw and entered the judgement and believed it to be a fair and just settlement and also some input from a special master. That person is a planner that's appointed by the court. He gave an overview of the purpose of the ordinances in creating an affordable housing overlay zone and an affordable housing residential district in Saddle Brook.

Mayor White said we also have a resolution to vacate a paper street, Adams Street which is at the end of North Seventh by the gully, and that was actually vacated a while

ago. I know that was designated a park area which no one can build there from what I believe.

Regarding the general election, Mayor White said he and Mr. Lo Dico would be meeting next week and they would provide an update at the Council meeting in October, and important information would be posted on social media, our town TV and possibly the electronic bulletin board if we can.

The Mayor noted we have a new recycling collector, Galaxy, which will be starting tomorrow and asked everyone to please be patient while they learn the routes. You have to put all recyclables out at 6:00 PM the night before, so that will be tonight for tomorrow.

Mayor White said Bergen County Mosquito Control is spraying tomorrow morning between 4:00 AM and 6:00 AM for mosquitos. Please don't be alarmed. We did post it on our Facebook, and we received quite a few comments, and people were fearful that it's harmful, and it is not. The US EPA has approved and recommended that these mosquito control products for residential mosquito control are considered to not pose any unreasonable health risks when applied according to instructions. They do this every year. This year we did post it on our Facebook page, and again I think some people got overly alarmed by it.

The Mayor thanked Councilwoman D'Arminio for the work she's doing with the seniors, the bus and the birthday celebrations, Council President Cimiluca for the parks and speed control committee, Councilman Gieriek for the flood committee, Councilwoman Mazzer for the Town Wide Garage sale and Councilman Accomando for the flood committee and speed control committee.

He noted Town Hall will return to regular hours starting Tuesday after Labor Day and said Holy Apostles Church on Saddle River Road will be doing a pet blessing on Saturday at 10:00 AM. There will be a 9/11 ceremony on Friday, September 11th, 6:00 PM at Town Hall. We're going to have the honor guard. The fire department is going to raise the flag on the ladder truck, and we want to really show that we're prideful and that we care. Like Todd said, we're never going to forget.

Mayor White said we have a shredding event Saturday, September 19th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at 55 Mayhill Street, the home of our new municipal complex. The Town Wide Garage Sale is Saturday and Sunday October 3rd and 4th. The 90s Birthday Drive-By Party, I think we're leaning toward Thursday and Friday, October 8th and 9th, and we are going to have Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 31st 12 at 2:00 PM at 55 Mayhill Street.

The Mayor reminded everyone that schools are open, please drive safely. He said I'm very happy to say that we are going to implement our SLEO, which is Special Law Enforcement Officer. I'm going to be appointing four officers, a fifth one a little bit later. We're going to also hire some substitutes as well. But we're ready to go with that. These are retired police officers, and they are going to be in our schools. Every school is going to have an armed, retired police officer [SLEO III] to protect our kids and keep everybody safe. He concluded by wishing everyone happy Labor Day.

Mr. Lo Dico explained, per the Governor's executive order, the November election will be a mail-in ballot only as it was in the primary. Right now, we're looking at limited polling places, again as we did for the primary. People will not be able to vote on the machine unless you have a certain disability as outlined by state statute. So, if you're going to go down to a polling place, thinking you're going to vote on a machine, unfortunately, that won't happen this year. By the end of September-beginning of October mail-in ballots should be sent to every registered voter, so please watch your mail. Be careful when it comes in; don't think it's an advertisement or a sample ballot, which will not be sent out this year. There will be a postage paid envelope for you to mail it back in. There will be drop off locations throughout the county, and election day, the polling places will each have a drop off, so people can bring their ballots and drop them off there. It's a presidential election. It's going to be complicated for the voters, it's going to be complicated for us who run the elections, but we're going to get through it. I have complete confidence in the Bergen County Board of Elections, the Superintendent of Elections office and the County Clerk's office. I've worked with them for many, many

years on elections, and the integrity is beyond question. So, people that are concerned about voting by mail and absentee ballot, I can assure you that the county will be bipartisan. They have Republicans and Democrats that work in the different offices; they will be counted fairly, and hopefully we get results soon after the election. We will get more information we will be posting on the website. We will also have information on our town TV, and hopefully we will try and work with the county to get a video where there will be questions asked, and the county officials will be with me. Hopefully, we will do a program that will be on the website and TV as we get more information. It's going to be similar to the primary, more people will be voting than in the primary, and again you're going to get a mail-in ballot. Please, watch your mail by the first week of October. More information will be coming, thank you.

Council President Cimiluca said this was out on social media, and we talked about it on Tuesday when we had our work session. The rumor that's going around is that if I have not mailed in my mail-in ballot, and I go to a polling place, I'm not going to be able to use the machine, but I have my mail-in ballot with me, and I hand it to a poll worker or drop it in the box there, that if I go that day, that will be considered a provisional ballot and not the mail-in ballot. Is there any truth to that?

Mr. Lo Dico said that's not correct. The mail-in ballot is a ballot that you will actually receive at home. If you're dropping that off before Election Day either at one of the twelve locations in the county or at the three polling places that will be in Saddle Brook, that's your mail-in ballot. Provisional ballots are the ballots that we have at each polling place. They come in an orange bag. The book workers open them up that morning, and you fill that out. It's similar in that it's a written ballot, it's on paper, but a provisional ballot is a separate entity from the mail-in ballot.

Councilwoman D'Arminio asked through the chair, what the three polling places will be in town.

Mr. Lo Dico said we're looking at Washington School, the High School and Long Memorial School. We added one more than what we did for the primary because of a bigger turn out. We're not going to use the Senior Center. We would not be able to accommodate everybody, so we're going to use Washington School, the High School gym, and Long Memorial all purpose room. Again, I would encourage people, if you're dropping off your ballot that's fine, but please don't come that day expecting to vote on a machine. Unless you have a certain disability, you will not be able to do it. The book workers will not be able to allow you to vote. The machines are only there for people that have disabilities. My understanding, we will get more information next week. When you drop your ballot off at the polling place, you will sign a book as if you were there voting, so there will be a record that you were there to drop off your ballot. It will work. Again, it's more than what we've done in the past, but knowing the people that the county has on staff, our book workers are second to none, and we will get through the process.

Councilman Accomando said this really bothers me. It's new. I have all the faith in the Board of Elections and the county. He asked is there a way, as residents of the State of New Jersey, that we can get the Governor to override his executive order? My personal thing is I just don't think it's fair. As a kid we went to the polling places with our parents. We let the kids push the buttons, it's just something else they're taking away from us. It's just my personal opinion. If we can fill a board walk shoulder to shoulder with thousands and thousands of people, I just don't understand why we can't have a couple hundred people on line to voice our opinions to vote for who we want to vote for. I just don't think it's right, as a resident, that's he's going to dictate how we should and shouldn't vote.

Mr. Lo Dico said I do know, and it's all from reading the papers because, we don't get direct information, there has been a lawsuit filed in federal court. We don't know what the outcome of that court case is going to be, but it was filed in federal court, and I believe the legislature adopted bills incorporating the Governor's executive order. So, it's not just his executive order anymore, these are now state laws that were adopted. Wait and see. Nobody knows what the federal courts are going to do on this. It's a COVID-19 emergency. That's what the Governor used for his executive order. It's just for this year.

Councilman Accomando asked, can he rescind it prior to the election?

Mr. Lo Dico said anything could happen, but if it's going to happen my gut feeling is probably not. If the lawsuit overturns it, then that's something else. The state legislature backed the Governor's executive order by passing laws.

Council President Cimiluca said the problem is the longer that it goes, the less likely it is that it's going to be overturned because then the argument is we don't have enough time to change it. Everyone is gearing up for doing the mail-in.

Mr. Lo Dico said and once the ballots are mailed, I think that would be the key.

Council President Cimiluca said so if it's not done within the next three weeks, it's not going to get done.

Mr. Lo Dico said Tuesday, October 13th is the last day to register to vote. I will be in my office until 9:00 PM as most municipalities in the county will be, so that will be your last day to register to vote in the presidential elections in November.

Council President Cimiluca said and also local elections.

Mr. Lo Dico said and local, and we're open every day for voter registration from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM and again until 9:00 PM on Tuesday October 13th.

ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE #1686-20 – FINAL READING ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-29, ARTICLE VIII ENTITLED “VISION OBSTRUCTION ON CORNER LOTS”

The Council President asked for a motion to untable the ordinance from the August 6th meeting.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled: **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-29, ARTICLE VIII ENTITLED “VISION OBSTRUCTION ON CORNER LOTS”**

does now pass on second and final reading and that the Township Clerk be directed to advertise said ordinance or Title thereof, in the press, together with a notice of the date of passage of said ordinance according to law.

Motion: None

Second: None

2. ORDINANCE #1687-20 – FINAL READING ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED “ZONING” (Affordable Housing Overlay)

The Council President announced that a motion is in order that the Township Clerk proceed to give same ordinance a second reading.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Gierak

Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

The Township Clerk then reads the Ordinance by title on second reading:

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED “ZONING”
(Affordable Housing Overlay)**

The Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be opened.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

Hearing no one, the Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be closed.

Motion: Councilman Accomando Second: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

CR# 920-148

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled: **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED “ZONING” (Affordable Housing Overlay)**

does now pass on second and final reading and that the Township Clerk be directed to advertise said ordinance or Title thereof, in the press, together with a notice of the date of passage of said ordinance according to law.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

**3. ORDINANCE #1688-20 – FINAL READING
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-9.43.1,
AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**

The Council President announced that a motion is in order that the Township Clerk proceed to give same ordinance a second reading.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio Second: Councilman Gierrek

Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

The Township Clerk then reads the Ordinance by title on second reading:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-9.43.1,
AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**

The Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be opened.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

Hearing no one, the Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be closed.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Gierrek

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

CR# 920-149

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-9.43.1, AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**

does now pass on second and final reading and that the Township Clerk be directed to advertise said ordinance or Title thereof, in the press, together with a notice of the date of passage of said ordinance according to law.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Gierrek

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

Council President Cimiluca noted the fourth ordinance was being pulled from the agenda.

All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered routine and non-controversial by the Township Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member(s) so requests it, in which case the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. The one motion signifies adoption of all resolutions, receive and file letters, correspondence, reports and approval of minutes and applications.

Councilwoman D'Arminio asked that resolution #14 {CR# 920-163} be removed from the consent agenda. Council President Cimiluca noted resolution #15 {CR# 920-164} would be returned to the consent agenda.

Regarding resolution #16 {CR# 920-165} Mr. Suarez disclosed for the record that he worked for the county.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

*** MINUTES**

- ## 1. August 6, 2020 – Regular Public Meeting

* RESOLUTIONS

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 920-150

WHEREAS, a property located in the Township of Saddle Brook, known as 205 Evans Place, Saddle Brook, New Jersey, Block 1712, Lot 47 is assessed to Sue Echevarria & Irving Raul Echevarria; and

WHEREAS, Irving Raul Echevarria has been declared 100% tax exempt by the Department of Veterans Affairs effective April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, 205 Evans Place, Saddle Brook, New Jersey, Block 1712, Lot 47 will be tax exempt as of April 17, 2020,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes effective April 17, 2020 and issue a refund to the mortgage company in the amount of \$1,709.40 for second quarter 2020 taxes. This property is 100% tax exempt for 2020.

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>NAME & ADDRESS</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>REFUND</u>
1712	47	LARETA, LLC 901 Corporate Center Drive Pomona, CA 91768	2020	\$1,709.40

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 920-151

WHEREAS, a property located in the Township of Saddle Brook, known as 205 Evans Place, Saddle Brook, New Jersey, Block 1712, Lot 47 is assessed to Sue Echevarria & Irving Raul Echevarria; and

WHEREAS, Irving Raul Echevarria has been declared 100% tax exempt by the Department of Veterans Affairs effective April 17, 2020; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes effective April 17, 2020 and issue a refund to the mortgage company in the amount of \$2,161.00 for third quarter 2020 taxes. This property is 100% tax exempt for 2020.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca – yes

CR# 920-152

WHEREAS, Richard G. Arango, Twp. Engineer, during the course of the work being performed by 4 Clean Up recommended Change Order #2; \$22,697.00 for the adjustment of unit quantities due to the addition of the high school driveway to the milling and paving scope of work; and

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

CR# 920-153

WHEREAS, Richard G. Arango, Twp. Engineer, during the course of the work being performed by 4 Clean Up recommended Change Order #3 Final; -\$16,107.79 for additional quantities; and

0257-33-011-005 \$1400.00	Matsuya, Inc. 490 Market Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-012-007 \$1400.00	CP Saddle Brook T/A Saddle Brook Marriott GSP & I-80 Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-016-010 \$1400.00	MJC Enterprise Holding, LLC T/A Midland Brew House 374 Midland Avenue Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-017-005 \$1400.00	Wilczynski Family, LLC c/o Dottie Wojno 49 Market Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-005-012 \$1400.00	Saddle Brook Holdings, LLC Plank Pizza 383 Market Street, Bldg. D Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-013-007 \$1400.00	Shree Radhey, LLC Krauszer's Liquors & Bar 215 Midland Avenue Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-001-008 \$1400.00	Excelsior Catering, LLC T/A The Excelsior 190 Route 46 East Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-003-010 \$1400.00	405 North Midland Avenue, LLC 1122 Clifton Avenue Clifton, NJ 07013
0257-33-006-009 \$1400.00	Trajanoski, Inc. T/A The Golden Pub 335 Market Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-33-015-012 \$1400.00	Que Pasta, LLC 326 Market Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION

0257-44-014-010 \$900.00	Shree Labh, Inc. DBA Wine Country 195 Market Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
0257-44-008-010 \$900.00	All American Beverage Wine & Liquor, Inc. D/B/A USA Wine Traders Club 66 Market Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

CLUB LICENSE

0257-31-018-002 \$100.00	Romaine Sinniger VFW Post 3484 44 Market Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
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AFFIDAVIT

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52: 27BB – 10 and 40A: 4-57. I do hereby certify that funds are available and that the attached resolution can be adopted.

PURPOSE: 2020 Road Improvements Program-Oxford Ave
ACCOUNT 04-2150-55-1673-902
FUND General Capital
AMOUNT \$937,606.79
PURCHASE ORDER NO. 95110

Timothy Corte
Chief Financial Officer

DATE
CHECKED BY

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION

CR# 920-157

WHEREAS, 4 Clean Up was awarded a contract in the amount of \$859,547.75 for the 2020 Road Program; and

WHEREAS, Richard G. Arango, Twp. Engineer, during the course of the work being performed by 4 Clean Up recommended Change Order #1; \$39,689.34 to resurface the entire church parking lot in exchange for allowing the Township to install the water main from Kuhn Court to Bell Avenue through the church parking lot; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby approves Change Order #1 for 4 Clean Up for a total amount of \$39,689.34, a total contract amount of \$899,237.09 providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

- Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
- Councilman Gierak - yes
- Councilman Accomando - yes
- Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
- Councilman President Cimiluca – yes

AFFIDAVIT

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52: 27BB – 10 and 40A: 4-57. I do hereby certify that funds are available and that the attached resolution can be adopted.

PURPOSE: 2020 Road Improvements Program
ACCOUNT 04-2150-55-1673-902
FUND General Capital
AMOUNT \$859,547.75
PURCHASE ORDER NO. 95110

Timothy Conte
Timothy Conte
Chief Financial Officer

DATE
CHECKED BY

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION TO CANCEL OUTSTANDING CHECKS

CR# 920-158

WHEREAS, the following checks issued from the Township of Saddle Brook have been outstanding for more than six months and are now stale-dated; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel outstanding checks.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the following outstanding checks issued from the Township of Saddle Brook bank accounts be cancelled:

CURRENT FUND	CHECK NUMBER	DATE	AMOUNT
	56670	3/15/2018	\$50,000.00
	58044	2/7/2019	\$699.91
	58045	2/7/2019	\$1500.00
	58097	2/7/2019	\$1613.45
	58263	4/4/2019	\$21.91
	58836	8/1/2019	\$85.50
	59213	11/7/2019	\$305.00
	59245	11/7/2019	\$245.00

59308	11/7/2019	\$750.00
59349	11/7/2019	\$750.00
59374	11/7/2019	\$750.00
59403	12/5/2019	\$2297.50
59445	12/5/2019	\$97.00
59487	12/5/2019	\$366.00

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
 Councilman Gierек - yes
 Councilman Accomando - yes
 Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
 Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
 RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION TO CANCEL OUTSTANDING CHECKS

CR# 920-159

WHEREAS, the following checks issued from the Township of Saddle Brook have been outstanding for more than six months and are now stale-dated; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel outstanding checks.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the following outstanding checks issued from the Township of Saddle Brook bank accounts be cancelled:

GENERAL CAPITAL

<u>CHECK NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
7142	4/4/2019	\$1211.25
7151	5/1/2019	\$1302.00
7153	5/9/2019	\$10000.00

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
 Councilman Gierек - yes
 Councilman Accomando - yes
 Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
 Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
 RESOLUTION

CR# 920-160

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the following requisition(s) submitted to the Township Council for purchases over \$2,500.00 be approved providing funds are available:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FIRE	WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP	HELMETS/ GLOVES	\$7,640.00

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierrek - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 920-161

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE PROPER WARRANTS BE DRAWN AND THAT THE ATTACHED BILLS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE BILLS NOT APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL, BE PAID TOTALING **\$114,236.86** PROVIDING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND ALL BILLS SUBMITTED COMPLY WITH N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 ET. SEQ AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUTES.

THESE BILLS ARE PAID THROUGH OFF LINE CHECKS.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierrek - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 920-162

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE PROPER WARRANTS BE DRAWN AND THAT THE ATTACHED BILLS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE BILLS NOT APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL, BE PAID TOTALING **\$5,229,855.17** PROVIDING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND ALL BILLS SUBMITTED COMPLY WITH N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 ET. SEQ AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUTES.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierrek - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CR# 920-163 IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Councilwoman D’Arminio recused herself and left the dais at this time.

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION

CR# 920-163

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE PROPER WARRANTS BE DRAWN AND THAT THE ATTACHED BILLS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE BILLS NOT APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL, BE PAID PROVIDING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND ALL BILLS SUBMITTED COMPLY WITH N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 ET. SEQ AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUTES.

P.O. #	VENDOR	AMOUNT
93693	MAZZONE PLUMBING INC	\$275.00

Motion: Councilman Accomando Second: Councilman Gierek

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D’Arminio - absent
Councilman Gierek - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

Councilwoman D’Arminio returned to the dais at this time.

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION

CR# 920-164

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE PROPER WARRANTS BE DRAWN AND THAT THE ATTACHED BILLS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE BILLS NOT APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL, BE PAID PROVIDING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND ALL BILLS SUBMITTED COMPLY WITH N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 ET. SEQ AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUTES.

P.O. #	VENDOR	AMOUNT
93602	STONE BROOK GARDEN	\$120.00

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierek - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

RESOLUTION

CR# 920-165

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2007, c. 63 (C.40A:65-1, *et seq.*), the “Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act” local units may share services; and

WHEREAS, Municipalities throughout the State of new Jersey have been encouraged to enter into such shared services agreements in order to consolidate and preserve economic resources; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook and the County of Bergen, One Bergen County Plaza, Fifth Floor, Hackensack, NJ 07601-7076 have engaged in various discussions regarding vehicle maintenance and repair services between the County of Bergen and the Township of Saddle Brook; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook and the County of Bergen believe that it would be in the best interests of the both entities to share vehicle maintenance and repair services on an as-needed basis; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this resolution to authorize and confirm an agreement for the sharing of such services to extend from September 3, 2020 through September 2, 2021,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A Shared Services Agreement with the County of Bergen be and is hereby authorized.
2. This agreement shall be in the form annexed hereto or in such other form as approved by the Township Council after consultation with the Township Attorney.
3. The agreement shall be in compliance with and this resolution shall be in furtherance of the provision of the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, NJSA 40A:65-1, *et seq.*
4. This contract shall be from September 3, 2020 through September 2, 2021 and shall be subject to a review, revision, modification, or renewal at the end of said period.
5. The agreement shall provide, among other things, for payment as indicated in the contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within resolution to the County of Bergen, the Township Attorney, and the State of new Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 920-166

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2007, c. 63 (C.40A:65-1, *et seq.*), the “Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act” local units may share services; and

WHEREAS, Municipalities throughout the State of new Jersey have been encouraged to enter into such shared services agreements in order to consolidate and preserve economic resources; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook and the County of Bergen, One Bergen County Plaza, Fifth Floor, Hackensack, NJ 07601-7076 have engaged in various discussions regarding Bonfire E-Procurement Software Services between the County of Bergen and the Township of Saddle Brook; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook and the County of Bergen believe that it would be in the best interests of the both entities to share Bonfire E-Procurement Services Software; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this resolution to authorize and confirm an agreement for the sharing of such services to extend from September 3, 2020 through June 30, 2025,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A Shared Services Agreement with the County of Bergen be and is hereby authorized.
2. This agreement shall be in the form annexed hereto or in such other form as approved by the Township Council after consultation with the Township Attorney.
3. The agreement shall be in compliance with and this resolution shall be in furtherance of the provision of the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, NJSA 40A:65-1, et seq.
4. This contract shall be from September 3, 2020 through June 30, 2025 and shall be subject to a review, revision, modification, or renewal at the end of said period.
5. The agreement shall provide, among other things, for payment as indicated in the contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within resolution to the County of Bergen, the Township Attorney, and the State of new Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilman Accomando - yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - absent

Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 920-167

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook previously vacated a paper street, by way of Ordinance Number 1370-05; and

WHEREAS, the said paper street is designated on the Township of Saddle Brook Tax Maps as Block 414, Lot 9; and

WHEREAS, in said ordinance the property designated on the Township of Saddle Brook Tax Maps as Block 414, Lot 9, including Adams Avenue, was to be designated as a municipal park, as the Township of Saddle Brook is an adjoining property owner; and

WHEREAS, in vacating said paper street, the property located at 192 North 7th Street, presently owned by Christine and Robert DePeola, who are the adjoining land owners of the said paper street, did, by operation of law, become the owners of that portion of the paper street which is contiguous to their property and that runs from the centerline of the paper street in a generally northerly direction to side yard of the property known as 192 North 7th Street;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook as follows:

1. It is ratified and affirmed that at the time the paper street as identified above was vacated, that portion of the paper street lying contiguous to 192 North 7th Street, running from the center line of the paper street in a generally northerly direction to the sideline of 192 North 7th Street, , by operation of law, became a part of the 192 North 7th Street property; and
2. The Mayor and the Township Clerk be and hereby are authorized to execute any document with regard to said street vacation as required by law.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca – yes

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 920-168

WHEREAS, the Township is desirous to repair a Township easement located at 608 North Midland Avenue; and

WHEREAS, only 1 quote was received after contacting 6 contractors for this work, and the recommendation was made that DS Meyer Enterprises, 34 Maple Avenue, Waldwick, NJ 07463 in the amount of \$18,500.00,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby approves the proposal from DS Meyer Enterprises in the amount of \$18,500.00 providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca - yes

***CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Re: Ordinances #1687-20 and #1688-20

To: Saddle Brook Planning Board Date: August 17, 2020

At the Township Council's Public Meeting of August 6, 2020 Ordinance #1687-20, An Ordinance amending Chapter 206, Article DH, Affordable Housing and Ordinance #1688-20 (An ordinance amending Chapter 206-9.43.1, Affordable Housing Residential District) were introduced for first reading.

I am referring Ordinances #1687-20 and #1688-20 to you for the Planning Board's review and recommendation. The Township Council plans to have a public hearing and second reading of the ordinance at the September 3, 2020 Council public meeting.

2. Stephen F. Pellino Re: Proposed Ordinances #1687-20 and #1688-20

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: August 19, 2020

I write to you as the attorney for the Planning Board of the Township of Saddle Brook. Pursuant to your request, the Planning Board did, at a regularly scheduled meeting on August 18, 2020, conducted by teleconference, review proposed Ordinance Nos. 1687-20 and 1688-20. The meeting was covered by my partner, Anthony P. Cialone, Esq.

Please be advised that pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26(a)*, the Planning Board did determine that both ordinances are consistent with the Master Plan. You are also advised that the Planning Board has no further comments or recommendations regarding these ordinances.

If you have any questions or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

3. Robert Klein, PE Remington Vernick Engineers Re: 2019 CDBG Rochelle Parkway Road Improvements Change Order No. 3 Final

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: August 24, 2020

Please be advised that this office is recommending approval of attached Change Order No. 3 Final which adjusts the contract to as-built quantities.

The contract breakdown is as follows:

• Original Contract	\$ 196,555.25
• Change Order No. 1	\$ 14,649.20
• Change Order No. 2	\$ 8,568.00
• Change Order No. 3 Final	<u>-\$ 16,107.79</u>
• Amended Contract Total	\$ 203,664.66

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call our offices at (201) 624-2137.

4. Robert Klein, PE Re: FY' 2020 Municipal Aid Program

Mayhill Street Roadway Improvements, Phase I Change Order No. 2

Please be advised that this office is recommending approval of attached Change Order No. 2.

- Original Contract \$ 216,288.95
- Change Order No. 1 \$ 9,750.00
- Change Order No. 2 \$ 12,947.00
- **Amended Contract Total \$ 238,985.95**

This change order is for adjustment of unit quantities as follows:

The Township had 4-Cleanup repave the High School Driveway as part of this contract. The Board of Education paid the Township for this work. The breakdown of the quantities and cost associated with the High School Driveway is shown in the below table for reference.

Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost
HMA Milling	1,010 SY	\$4.50	\$4,545.00
Hot Mix Asphalt 9.5M64	120 Tons	\$85.00	\$10,200.00
Tack Coat	155 Gallons	\$0.01	\$1.55
Traffic Stripes, 4"	870 L.F.	\$0.75	\$652.50
Traffic Markings, Symbols	397 SF	\$6.00	\$2,382.00
Curb Paint, Yellow	360 L.F.	\$1.00	\$360.00
		TOTAL	\$18,141.05

Of note, the traffic stripes, traffic markings, and curb paint, while complete has not been invoiced by the Contractor yet. Those final quantities will be adjusted in the final change order.

The remainder of the change order is for adjustment of unit quantities as follows:

- Unused if and where directed milling (\$927 Reduction)
- Additional HMA9.5M64 used as a leveling course to even out the road grades in spots. (Additional \$1,567.40)
- Additional concrete curb replacement due to field evaluation of curb condition. (Total Addition of (\$3,584)
- Reduction due to unused hours for flaggers, which were not needed during construction. Total reduction (\$6,042.40)

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call our offices at (201) 624-2137.

**5. Robert Klein, PE
Remington Vernick
Engineers**

**Re: 2019 CDBG Rochelle Parkway
Road Improvements Pay
Certificate No. 4 Final**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: August 24, 2020

Please be advised that this office is recommending approval of attached Change Order No. 1. The Township has agreed to resurface the entire church parking lot in exchange for allowing the Township to install the water main from Kuhn Court to Bell Avenue through the church parking lot.

The following is a breakdown of the costs:

- Original Contract \$ 859,547.75
- Change Order No. 1 \$ 39,689.34
- Amended Contract Total \$ 899,237.09

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call our offices at (201) 624-2137.

9. **Robert Klein, PE** **Re: Albany Street & Congress Storm**
 Remington Vernick **Sewer Cleaning & Video Inspection**
 Engineers **Recommendation to Award Quote**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: August 31, 2020

At your direction, this office requested quotes for the above work from three (3) contractors. This office received quotes and the results are as follows:

- National Water Main Cleaning \$5,765.35
- 11 Enviro Group \$8,499.25
- North American Pipeline \$20,574.00

We have reviewed the submitted information from all contractors and find National Water Main Cleaning Company to be the lowest responsible contractor. We recommend that the Township of Saddle Brook prepare a Purchase Order in the amount of \$5,765.35. Copies of the quotes submitted are enclosed for your review. Therefore, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq, the contract should be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, which appears to be National Water Main Cleaning Company.

The award should be contingent upon approval of your Counsel and the availability of funds. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (201) 624-2137.

10. **Robert Klein, PE** **Re: 608 N. Midland Avenue Storm Inlet**
 Remington Vernick **Modifications Recommendation to**
 Engineers **Award Quote**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: September 1, 2020

At your direction, this office requested quotes for the above work from six (6) contractors. This office received quotes and the results are as follows:

• DS Meyer Enterprises	\$18,500.00
• Online Contracting	No Bid
• Anselmi & DeCicco	No Bid
• RML Construction	No Bid
• Marini Bros	No Bid
• Pax Mundus Enterprises	No Bid

We have reviewed the submitted information from the contractor and find DS Meyer Enterprises LLC to be the lowest responsible contractor. We recommend that the Township of Saddle Brook prepare a Purchase Order in the amount of \$18,500.00. A copy of the quote submitted is enclosed for your review. Therefore, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq, the contract should be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, which appears to be DS Meyer Enterprises LLC.

The award should be contingent upon approval of your Counsel and the availability of funds. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (201) 624-2137.

*** RAFFLES & APPLICATIONS**

1. RA# 1313 - WFFC Foundation, Inc. – 50/50 – Amended
2. RA# 1319 – St. Philip the Apostle Church – 50/50

*** REPORTS**

1. Municipal Court Monthly Report – July 2020
2. Hotel Room Tax Revenue Report – August 2020
3. Grant Writer Monthly Report – July 2020
4. DPW Monthly Report – July 2020
5. Construction Code Official Report – July 2020
6. Property Maintenance Official Report – July 2020
7. Tax Collector Monthly Report – July 2020
8. Water Billing Monthly Report – July 2020
9. Engineer’s Status Report – Mid-August 2020
10. Budget Monthly Status Report – August 2020

Old Business / New Business

Mr. Lo Dico said we do have a resolution for the agreement with the Board of Education. We did receive it today from the board attorney. The resolution states that the Council would adopt it under the auspices of the attorney approving it. I know the attorney has got some questions. So if the Council would like to pass the resolution, since school is starting next week.

Council President Cimiluca said this is SLEO?

Mr. Lo Dico said yes. Then we can get the final word, but the resolution would state that the attorney has to approve it first.

Council President Cimiluca said so it’s a resolution contingent on the review and approval of the township attorney?

Mr. Lo Dico said yes.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 920-169

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook and the Saddle Brook Board of Education wish to enter into an agreement for the SLEO (Special Law Enforcement Officer); and

WHEREAS, the agreement as prepared by the Board of Education will be reviewed by the Township Attorney prior to execution by the Township,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that upon review and approval of the Township Attorney, the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign said agreement with the Saddle Brook Board of Education.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierak – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – absent

Council President Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Accomando apologized and said that's the way I felt about the voting and the election.

Mayor White said through the chair that he agreed with Councilman Accomando. I kind of think that the Governor maybe should have done the same that he did with the schools, left it up to the school districts. Maybe he should have left it up to the municipalities. I know in Saddle Brook I really don't believe it would have been a difficult thing to have a safe election using the machines. I feel that it will be legitimate, I just think it's different, and many people are not going to understand it. Some people never voted that way before, and the thing is too, it's very strict. If you make a mistake, you don't sign, you don't put the ballot in the right envelop, you mix it up, your vote doesn't count.

Councilman Accomando commented.

Mayor White said and we're not going to know the results either. We're probably not going to know the results.

Mr. Lo Dico said do not call me after 8 o'clock for the election results. We won't have them.

Mayor White said it's very different, and I know some states do it, and they have no problems with it.

Regarding special law enforcement officers, he said the retired police officers are vetted; they have to go through drug tests, psychological tests. They receive all the training that a regular police officer does, and importantly we did budget for this. This is not something that we just decided today. The money is in the budget. This initiative started last year, and the Board of Education held a public hearing. It was late 2019. I know myself and the council members were there. We had a good turnout from the public, and we feel strongly that the public is very in favor of this. I got to say this council is very much pro-law enforcement and pro-emergency responder. I'm really happy about this program. It's something that I personally wanted to see because if you look around, really all over the country, but in Bergen County alone, we're one of the only towns that did not have every school having some sort of security guard or police officer, SLEO, anything. We did have an SRO who was in the high school/middle school, and the school did have a retired police officer that they hired to do some security, but they were also in the high school/middle school. None of the elementary schools had any security, so we're looking forward to this, and I really feel it's going to be a success. I took part in the interviews of these candidates, and we got some really, really good police officers, and I'm really looking forward to it.

Council President Cimiluca said he agreed with Councilman Accomando and did not agree with the mail-in ballots. He said I think that there are states that have done them and have done them successfully. The difference here, in my opinion, is that it took them a while to get to that point, and they've been doing it for some time, but it took them a while. It wasn't that they started thinking about this in June or July of the same year we're going to have an election. It's an important election for Saddle Brook. Three council seats are up. But it's a major, major election country wide, and there is a division in the country. But that's the way it is, so it's very important for anybody out there that when you get your mail-in ballots that you fill them out, triple check them before you seal it, and get them out and get them to either a drop box, the polling place or in the mail. And don't wait. The Mayor's right, we're not going to know about the results for a

while. I guess on a local level because we general have about 3500 voters that turn out usually anywhere between 3000 and 4000.

Mr. Lo Dico said sometimes 5000 or 6000. We do 60% voter turnout in Saddle Brook.

Council President Cimiluca said we may be able to kind of look at the results that are in at the end of the night and kind of anticipate that anything coming after that would go along the same lines. But we can't be sure, and if it's really close you have no idea, and it depends on how long it takes them to vote. On a national level, God knows how long it's going to be before we know who the next president of the United States is going to be or the next congressman or the next senator.

Council President Cimiluca concluded by addressing political rumors that had been spread on social media and said just because there's some radical factions, mostly out west that are saying this, doesn't mean that the national party is all for it, and certainly absolutely 1000% doesn't mean that your local officials here are in favor of that.

Council President Cimiluca asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public on agenda items only.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierek – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – absent

Council President Cimiluca – yes

Mayor White said Mr. Thomas Van Winkle wanted to speak about the Mayor's Youth Group.

Mr. Thomas Van Winkle of 128 Lincoln Avenue said he served as the liaison to the Mayor and Council for the Mayor's Youth Group. He said we are bringing back the Youth Group. We've been through a lot with COVID-19, and we're going to have a meeting right here at the Senior Center at 10:00 AM on Saturday, September 26th. We will make sure we have the chairs set up six feet apart, and everyone in attendance must wear a mask. We are going to discuss Trunk or Treat on Halloween. Hopefully, the weather will be good that day for Trunk or Treat outside. We hope to see everybody. I'm going to work on getting the new registration form out so we can get new members to register and we can get the word out about the meeting.

Council President Cimiluca said continue to do a good job, we appreciate it.

Councilman Accomando said regarding the Youth Group, especially now, if you have little kids out there, this is a great way for them to meet kids from the other side of town and other schools. This program is great. The Mayor is really involved in it. Christine does a great job with it. It makes the kids feel like they have a voice. It's definitely something you should have your kids look into. You can come and sit with them while they have the meeting. It's great to see them interact and have different opinions. It's a lot different than adults, it's actually a little more civil.

Council President Cimiluca asked if there was a minimum age for membership.

Mr. Van Winkle said we are open from fourth through twelfth grade, so if you are entering fourth through twelfth grade in September please sign up and join us.

Hearing no one else, Council President Cimiluca asked for a motion to close the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Gierek

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

Council President Cimiluca asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Councilman Accomando

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – absent
Council President Cimiluca – yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Lo Dico, R.M.C. CMC
Township Clerk

Andrew M. Cimiluca,
Council President

Approved: October 1, 2020